

# Overseas Press Club Bulletin

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## Up-and-Coming

**Thursday, Sept. 25, 5:30 p.m.**—Author Ann M. Sperber on "Murrow: His Life and Times," Bogert Room.

**Friday, Sept. 26, 5:30 p.m.**—OPC Twilight Jazz, Beiderbecke and Berigan music, \$5 admission, first come seating, Rumford Hall.

**Friday, Oct. 6, 5:30 p.m.**—Adm. Elmo Zumwalt and son, Elmo III, speak on their book "My Father, My Son: The Story of the Zumwalts." Bogert Room.

**Tuesday, Oct. 21, 5:30 p.m.**—Author Richard Kluger on "The Paper: The Life and Death of the New York Herald Tribune." Bogert Room.

**Friday, Nov. 21, Evening**—First-ever Vietnam Correspondents Reunion dinner, 69th Regiment Armory.

**Except as noted for Twilight Jazz—5:30 Programs: Members Free, Guests \$4. Cash bar all functions. Reservations required. Reserve with Mary Novick 679-9650.**

## OPC Twilight Jazz Opens Year 17 to Bix'n'Bunny Beat

"These greats are THE most!"

"How lucky can you get!"

"Just five clams and you're in for the time of your musical life!"

We quote our Wilma Dobie, jazzophile, extraordinary—impresario of OPC's famed Twilight Jazz, swinging into its 17th year Friday, Sept. 26.

The greats she's talking about are Richard Sudhalter, cornetist, New York Post jazz columnist, ex-UPI correspondent; Warren Vache Jr., trumpeter son of the noted bassist-jazz journalist; OPC's Jane Jarvis at piano.

Also Al Hall, bass; Jackie Williams, bass; Howard Alden, guitar, and Dan Barrett, trombone.

The program is the music of Bix Beiderbecke and Bunny Berigan.

**Friday, Sept. 26, 5:30 p.m., Rumford Hall, admission \$5, open bar, first come seating.**

## OPC's Stellar Starting Lineup Features Five Fabulous Events

What do Edward R. Murrow, Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt Jr., the Beiderbecke-Berigan jazz styles, the late, great New York Herald Tribune and the Vietnam War press corps have in common?

All are featured in the fall schedule of OPC events which, as you can see, is pretty much guaranteed to have something of interest for just about everyone. Be sure to note the times and dates from the Up-and-Coming box at left, or simply clip it and post it on the refrigerator door—or the bathroom mirror.

### Murrow, Our Idol

Because he had such a tremendous impact on the news business; because he was one of the idols on which we built our early dreams to get into it, the talk Sept. 25 on the late, great Edward R. Murrow by his biographer, Ann M. Sperber, has particular attraction.

Ms. Sperber spent 12 years researching-writing the book and there's a lot of stuff in it that's first in print. And, incidentally, her own story: wartime refugee, Julliard student, Fulbright type, publishing house editor, freelance music reviewer triggered into writing the book on happening to see some old Murrow footage.

### Sudhalter Plays

Just one day later...

Now note that, we're so busy some of our events come only a day apart... Have we got a show for you!

It's year 17 for the OPC Twilight Jazz.

Ex-foreign correspondents who play creditable jazz, you'll have to admit, are few and far between. One who plays great jazz is a rarity. Naturally, he was a Unipresser. What else?

It's **THE** one and only Richard M. Sudhalter, cornetist. For what Dick and some other remarkable musicians will be playing Sept. 26 see separate story elsewhere in this issue.

### Zumwalts Speak

Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt Jr. ordered the use of Agent Orange as a defoliant in the Vietnam War. His son, Elmo III, fell victim to its ravages while a navy lieutenant skippering a U.S. river boat.



Ann Sperber

## OPC Defends Press On 3 Continents

### To Botha: Press Bans Won't Hide What You Do

The OPC this summer acted to demand release of detained journalists or lifting of press bans on three continents.

The OPC Freedom of the Press Committee called on South Africa President P.W. Botha to terminate the bans he has imposed on the domestic and foreign press.

"World can't be prevented from learning what happens in your country," said Norman Schorr, co-chairman of the OPC Freedom of the Press Committee, in a cable to the South Africa head of state.



## Free Press—

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"Trying to prevent responsible reporting is counter-productive," Schorr said, adding that it is "a sure way to lose face in the world."

The OPC also protested the Botha regime's expulsion of Newsweek correspondent Richard Manning.

The OPC FOP Committee, meanwhile, protested the detention in China of New York Times Beijing Bureau Chief John F. Burns and the jailing of two journalists in Surinam. It received a response from the Taiwan government to its earlier protest of imprisonment there of six journalists.

OPC President Herbert Kupferberg and Schorr signed the cable to Prime Minister Deng Xiaoping protesting Burns' detention by the People's Republic of China.

In an unrelated development, Sheldon S.Y. Peng of the Government Information Office in Taipei responded to the OPC's protest of the imprisonment on Taiwan of six prisoners.

Peng denied the Amnesty International finding the six were convicted because of their work as journalists. He said they were convicted on criminal charges. He asserted, contrary to the OPC's information, that their treatment was humane. His was the third government to respond to OPC FOP Committee cables protesting journalists' jailings this year.

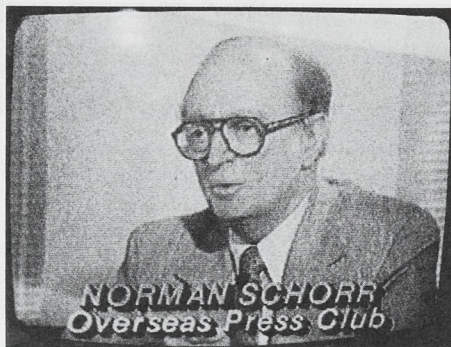
On another front, Schorr cabled Cmdr. Desi Bouterse in Paramaribo to protest the Surinam regime's arrest without cause of Dutch journalists Gerard Wessel and Pieter Storms.

## Peoplers

Retiring OPC bookkeeper **Tony Muraco's** parting note to members: "The time has come for me to say so long to the Club. For the past 30 years the Club has been my second home and I am happy and grateful that I was able to serve in my capacity as bookkeeper to the best of my ability. May the club have continued success and prosperity. Good luck to all.

**Craig Lowder** passes along an address by *Reader's Digest* Editor-in-Chief **Ken Gilmore** on "Journalistic Responsibility" from which we'll snitch this quote: "Clearly, one essential condition for responsible reporting from abroad is a well-trained, linguistically fluent press corps. Perhaps our schools of journalism should pay more attention to this problem by offering, or even requiring, training in important languages such as French, German, Russian and Spanish."

## OPC in TV Panel Finding Global Curbs on Press



**Norman Schorr**

The press is free in barely a quarter of the world's countries.

The OPC participated in an ABC-TV World News Saturday program in which Jeff Greenfield, media analyst, citing a Freedom House report, said that in three-fourths of the world's countries journalists face a variety of "hard" and "soft" denials of press freedom.

Amid reaction to South Africa's current draconian press bans, the program considered regulation and persecution of the media worldwide.

Greenfield cited the OPC list of 85 journalists jailed globally and individual case histories on reporters held in Korea, South Vietnam and the Soviet Union which were provided by the Committee to Protect Journalists.

Norman Schorr, co-chairman of the OPC Freedom of the Press Committee, said constant surveillance and intimidation of correspondents in these and other countries "places a great burden on the American-trained journalist."

Harrison Salisbury, whose foreign postings for the New York Times and UPI, included lengthy duty in Moscow, called for publication of press curbs imposed on correspondents—a policy followed by The Times currently in boxes carried with stories from South Africa.

"Readers should always know the conditions under which dispatches are filed and information is gathered," Salisbury said. "If there is censorship, they should be notified of it."

Journalist-screenwriter **Roberta Ostroff**, commissioned to research life of **Dickey Chapelle**, seeks information from anyone who knew her. Write Roberta: POB 480462, Los Angeles, CA 90048.

OPCers **Walter Diamond** and wife, **Dorothy**, back from Yugoslav assignment advising Montenegro on establishment of export processing zone.

## Saigon Media Reunion Contacts Top 300

The OPC Saigon Media Reunion Committee is contacting more than 300 correspondents who served in Indochina for the event now scheduled for Nov. 21.

The reunion in the Seventh Regiment Armory in New York is open to all correspondents who worked in Indochina, whether OPC members or not.

OPC members have contributed many names in letters from across the nation and abroad. Our list is the most extensive directory of Indochina correspondents yet compiled.

The committee asks all members help in contacting more as it is believed there are hundreds more who were involved in coverage of Vietnam, Cambodia and Laos.

**Club members with addresses of correspondents are asked to send the information to the Saigon Reunion Committee care of the OPC office.**

### Agate Advertisements

OPC Bulletin accepts classified ads in what may be best media influentials buy. \$5 minimum for up to three lines, \$1.75 for each line thereafter. 46 characters per line. Check must accompany typed copy submitted to OPC by 14th of month preceding publication.

**London-based correspondent/producer**, reporting for national net, seeks additional assignments either ad hoc or on a continuing basis. Show tape and details available from J. Quigley, 605 E. 14th St., NYC 10009. Tel: (212) 254 3534.

**Apartment for rent** on monthly basis. Large living room, large bedroom, beautifully furnished. Kitchenette, full hotel service, including room service from famous Laurent Rest., daily linens, splendid building—The Lombardy, 111 E. 56 St., Apt 411—\$3,570. Call Mr. Maglio (212) 753-8600.

**Environmental Organization** seeks retired PR pro for part-time consulting midtown. Whitman Bassow 986-7200.

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**Brazil-based newsman** with residences in Rio and Sao Paulo seeks newspaper or magazine assignment in Brazil as fulltime correspondent or stringer. Contact Michael Sieniawski, 320 East 54 St., NYC 10022. (212) 308-4368.

OPCers **Irv Chapman** and **Al Kaff** have joined the news service of Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. Chapman, 22 years an ABC correspondent, is executive director and editor-in-chief of the news bureau. Kaff, 33 years a UPI Asia correspondent and executive, is managing editor of the news service.



## Stellar—

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The two are co-authors of "My Father, My Son: The Story of the Zumwalts" (Macmillan) and will both appear at the OPC Book Night Oct. 6. They will be introduced by Walter Anderson, editor of Parade.

### Regarding the Trib

Next subject, marking the 20th anniversary of its demise—*The Herald Tribune* and we've already been admonished never to put a hyphen in it.

Richard Kluger is the author. "The Paper: The Life and Death of the New York Herald Tribune" (Knopf) is the book published to coincide with the 20th anniversary of The Trib's death.

Kluger, Trib's last book review editor, author of the acclaimed "Simple Justice" on SCOTUS desegregation decision, will tell a bit about the writing of The Trib's story, described, we can't resist adding, as "an elegiac tribute to a lost world of newspaper publishers and to a great lost newspaper."

Even Webster's New Collegiate has a hard time with elegiac, preferring "of, relating to, or consisting of two dactylic hexameter lines the second of which lacks the arses (that's what it says) in the third and sixth feet." Errr...

We persevered, though, and what it means is, "comprising an elegy."

### 'Nam Reunion

See the separate item in this issue on the Vietnam Media Reunion, now scheduled for the evening of Nov. 21 in the 69th Regiment Armory.

**Stuart Falk** reports the International Chamber of Commerce proposes to publish a special supplement in *Time's* Feb. 9 issue on role of ICC and its members in efforts to solve world economic and social problems. Supplement will coincide with ICC's World Congress in New Delhi.

**Lester R. Bittel**, professor of management, James Madison University College of Business, Harrisonburg, Va., is designated Virginia Eminent Scholar. Bittel was editor-publisher of *Factory Magazine* when he was with McGraw-Hill and a 20-year OPCer.

**Ruth K. Hill**, former *Metromedia* associate producer, dropped note while visiting here this summer that she is visiting professor at Shanghai University developing course in Communications-TV-Broadcasting and lecturing on "Rehabilitation for Youth in Conflict."

## From the President

### 'Clubable' is how Sam said it then

That eminent Englishman Dr. Samuel Johnson once remarked that his friend and biographer James Boswell was "a very clubable man." He never defined what he meant by "clubable," but we can guess he regarded Boswell as a man who cherished companionship with persons of like interests. I'd like to think that he regarded Boswell as the kind of member who tried to help a club function by participating in its activities and even its administration.

As we begin an exciting and very active fall season, I'd like to express the hope that more of us will become "clubable" members.

We need not only your participation by attending our luncheon and evening events; we need also your help in furthering the club's activities and functions. It's nice to receive your dues; God (not to mention our Treasurer) knows we need them. But we hope also for your personal involvement.

Working on a committee, as many have found, pays off in personal satisfaction as well as in the improved condition of our organization. Most of our committees are seriously understaffed; some, indeed, are strictly one-person operations.

Both as President and as a member concerned about our future, I'd like to see this situation change. A healthy club depends on active committees. All of us are journalists with experience, talent and ideas—commodities of which the Club stands in need right now.

### Who's doing what, when, where, and if there's space, why

**Raul Locsin**, editor-publisher, *Business Day of Manila*, named International Editor of the Year by *World Press Review* magazine "for his role as a leader and symbol of a brave journalistic minority who fanned the flame of press freedom throughout the Marcos tyranny."

OPC's own **Murray Schumach**, editor of OPC's *Dateline* magazine for past three years, is named press secretary to New York City Council President Andrew Stein.

OPC'er **Lou Garcia**, promoted from executive editor to publisher and associate editor of *Economic World* magazine. Lou is former Braniff PR VP and also was PR counsel before joining magazine two years ago.

Please give some thought to serving on one of these committees listed along with their chair persons:

Admissions, (Al Kaff has gone off to Cornell, as reported elsewhere and the chair is open at this writing); Awards, Mort Frank; Bulletin, Fred Ferguson; Dinner, Anita Diamant; Freedom of the Press, Norman Schorr; House, Charles Schreiber; Membership, Larry Smith; Program, Rosalie Brody and James Gaines.

If you'd like to help, please indicate and send in your committee preference using the box below.

We'll try to accommodate your choice and we certainly appreciate your participation.

Herb Kupferberg,  
OPC, 52 East 41st St.,  
New York, NY 10017

I'd like to serve on the following committee(s):

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New OPC member **G.B. Woodin** and wife, **M.K. Woodin**, co-authors of *Black Cats and Other Superstitious Subjects*, are making talk show rounds. M. K. discoursed on superstition and sex for Dr. Ruth Westheimer; went on to do "Small Things Considered" children's show, but not about sex.

OPC's **Charles Gillett**, president, NY Convention & Visitor's Bureau, wins first time award of state Department of Commerce, is cited by Gov. Mario Cuomo "for long and distinguished service."

OPC's **Rohama Lee**, reporter in London at time of Queen Mary's maiden voyage, has briefed travel writers in Long Beach, Calif., where Queen is now a hotel, in preparation there for event marking 50th anniversary of May 27, 1936, historic Southampton-New York crossing.

Past OPC President **John Luter**, chairman, J-department, U. of Hawaii at Manoa, reports school has received *Scripps League Newspapers* Education Fund grant, part of \$131,000 from fund that has greatly helped develop journalism education in Hawaii.



## NEW APPLICATIONS

### ACTIVE RESIDENTS

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**Daniel McKain**—Free Lance Photo-journalist—Self Employed

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Sponsors: *H. Lee Silberman—Herbert Kupferberg*

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Sponsors: *Catherine Hunter—Donald Lester*

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**Albert H. Tannenbaum**—Copy Editor—India Abroad

Sponsors: *Herbert Kupferberg—Larry Smith*

*FYI*, Time, Inc. house organ, carries piece on cover writers, reporting Senior Writer **Ed Magnuson** holds record, 105 since '62. Some others: **Henry Grunewald**, more than 50 before moving up; Senior Writer **George Church**, 68; Associate Editor **Bill Doerner**, 25; Assistant M.E. **John Elson**, 15; Associate Editor **Kurt Andersen**, 12; Associate Editor **Claudia Wallis**, 8.

## NEW MEMBERS

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**Jack Casserly**

### ASSOCIATE RESIDENT

**Ben Frank**

### CHANGE OF STATUS

From Associate Resident to Active Resident

**Rosanne McVay**

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OPC'er **Richard L. Williams**, early retired from *Time Inc.*, late-retired from *Smithsonian* magazine, claims now to have "finally retired from the sticks of Unadilla, N.Y., having sold the old homestead." He's shuffling on down to St. Petersburg, Fla., noting it's world shuffleboard capital. Pardon the bad pun, Dick.

OPC'er **Frank S. Johnson Jr.** has been named Assistant Postmaster General in Washington. Johnson, formerly NASA public affairs director, is responsible for Postal Service's public and employee communications.

OPC's **Patrick Carr**, ex-UPI and PR exec in New York, is now retired in Kansas City but directing public information seminars for Catholic Communications Foundation there, also is writing a book.

OPC'er **Annetta Duveen** has published catalog of her '85 exhibit of sculpture, watercolors and graphics in Basilica of Santa Croce, Florence, featuring busts of Pope John Paul II, the late Sen. Robert F. Kennedy and other works.

**Rhea Talley Stewart**, author of *Fire in Afghanistan*, has been honored by the Afghanistan Foundation for work in the cause of the Afghan people. Ms Stewart is writing another book on Afghanistan in addition to her newspaper articles on the subject.

**Paul Sanker**, former OPC award winner, sends, in light of recent events, excerpt from 1960s article on interview he had with then Philippine President Fernando Marcos, who declared he'd end run obstructionism from politicians "after we have removed all the crooks and hangers-on in government."